

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House Committees ordered reported 23 sundry measures.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Twelve bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3074–3085. **Pages S8822–23**

Measures Reported:

H.R. 4986, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the provisions relating to foreign sales corporations (FSCs) and to exclude extraterritorial income from gross income, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 106–416) **Page S8822**

Legislative/Treasury/Postal Service Appropriations Conference Report: By 28 yeas to 69 nays (Vote No. 253), Senate failed to agree to the conference report on H.R. 4516, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001. **Pages S8788–S8800**

Subsequently, a motion to reconsider the vote by which the conference report was defeated was entered. **Page S8800**

H–1B Nonimmigrant Visa: Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to the consideration of S. 2045, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to H–1B nonimmigrant aliens. **Pages S8800–06**

Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed on Thursday, September 21, 2000.

Intercountry Adoption Act: Senate concurred in the amendment of the House to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2909, to provide for implementation by the United States of the Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Cooperation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S8866**

Treaties Approved: The following treaties having passed through their various parliamentary stages, up

to and including the presentation of the resolution of ratification, upon division, two-thirds of the Senators present and having voted in the affirmative, the resolutions of ratification were agreed to:

Convention On Protection of Children and Co-operation In Respect of Intercountry Adoption, with six declarations (Treaty Doc. 105–51) **Pages S8866–67**

Convention (No. 176) Concerning Safety and Health in Mines, with two understandings, two declaration, and two provisos (Treaty Doc. 106–8) **Pages S8866–67**

Food Aid Convention 1999, with three declarations and one proviso (Treaty Doc. 106–8) **Pages S8866–67**

Inter-American Convention on Sea Turtles, with three understandings, five declarations, and two provisos (Treaty Doc. 105–48) **Pages S8866–68**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total–253) **Page S8800**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:32 a.m., and adjourned at 6:24 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, September 21, 2000. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8868.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FOOD SAFETY

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine certain measures the Food Safety and Inspection Service and Food and Drug Administration are taking to improve food safety, modernize regulations, and utilize resources, in order to achieve the greatest possible reduction in the risk of microbial contamination and foodborne illness and maintain consumer confidence, after receiving testimony from Dan Glickman, Secretary of Agriculture; Joseph A. Levitt, Director, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, Food and Drug Administration, and Stephen M. Ostroff, Associate Director for Epidemiologic Science, National Center for Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Lawrence J. Dyckman, Director, Food and Agriculture Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office; Michael P. Doyle, University of Georgia Center for Food Safety and Quality Enhancement, Griffin, on behalf of the Council for Agricultural Science and Technology; Dane Bernard, National Food Processors Association, Gary M. Weber, National Cattlemen's Beef Association, Caroline Smith DeWaal, Center for Science in the Public Interest, and Richard Levinson, American Public Health Association, all of Washington, D.C.; Donna M. Garren, United Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Association, Alexandria, Virginia; and Ann Hollingsworth, American Meat Science Association, Carrollton, Georgia, on behalf of the American Meat Institute.

ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education concluded hearings to examine the national and global problem of antimicrobial resistance, after receiving testimony from Jane E. Henney, Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, and Jeffrey P. Koplan, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; F. E. Thompson, Jr., Mississippi Department of Health, Jackson, on behalf of the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials; Merle A. Sande, University of Utah School of Medicine, Salt Lake City; Alice M. Clark, University of Mississippi National Center for the Development of Natural Products, University; Mark L. Nelson, Paratek Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Boston, Massachusetts; and Martin

Rosenberg, Smithkline Beecham Pharmaceuticals, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 3059, to amend title 49, United States Code, to require motor vehicle manufacturers and motor vehicle equipment manufacturers to obtain information and maintain records about potential safety defects in their foreign products that may affect the safety of vehicles and equipment in the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2454, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to authorize low-power television stations to provide digital data services to subscribers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2070, to improve safety standards for child restraints in motor vehicles, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1941, to amend the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 to authorize the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to provide assistance to fire departments and fire prevention organizations for the purpose of protecting the public and firefighting personnel against fire and fire-related hazards, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2029, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to prohibit telemarketers from interfering with the caller identification service of any person to whom a telephone solicitation is made, with amendments;

S. Res. 344, expressing the sense of the Senate that the proposed merger of United Airlines and US Airways is inconsistent with the public interest and public convenience and necessity policy set forth in section 40101 of title 49, United States Code;

S. 876, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require that the broadcast of violent video programming be limited to hours when children are not reasonably likely to comprise a substantial portion of the audience, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of David Z. Plavin, of New York, and Arthenia L. Joyner, of Florida, each to be a Member of the Federal Aviation Management Advisory Council, Sue Bailey, of Maryland, to be Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, and certain promotion lists in the United States Coast Guard, all of the Department of Transportation.